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The Honorable Robert F. Ellsworth
Deputy Secretary of Defense
Washington, D. C. 20301

Dear Bob:

One of the highlights of my tenure as Director of Central Intelligence was setting the Committee on Foreign Intelligence on its feet and making sure that it stayed on the right track. I could not have done this without the cooperation of you, Dan Murphy, and Bill Hyland.

As we all know, the imposition of a new structure on existing mechanisms can be stressful, and the establishment of the CFI was no exception. However, despite some dire predictions by seasoned bureaucrats, we did produce the first National Foreign Intelligence Program Budget in history. As Chairman of the CFI, I am grateful for your help and support.

May I also take this opportunity to wish you well in the days ahead.

Sincerely,

George Bush
George Bush
Chairman

*Best of luck, my friend -
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